

# **Oxytetracycline-medicated feed – UMESC Research**

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# Target Animal Safety

## ■ Objective

- Determine safety of oxytetracycline-medicated feed fed at a rate of 82.5 mg/kg bodyweight/day for 10 consecutive days to cool- and warmwater fish.

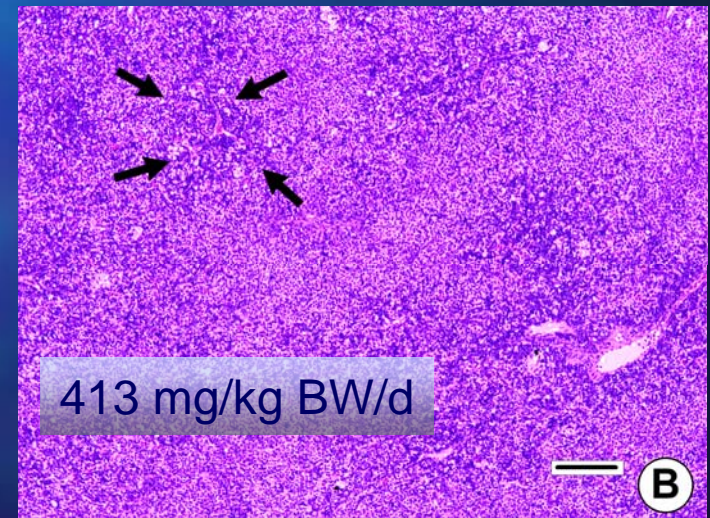
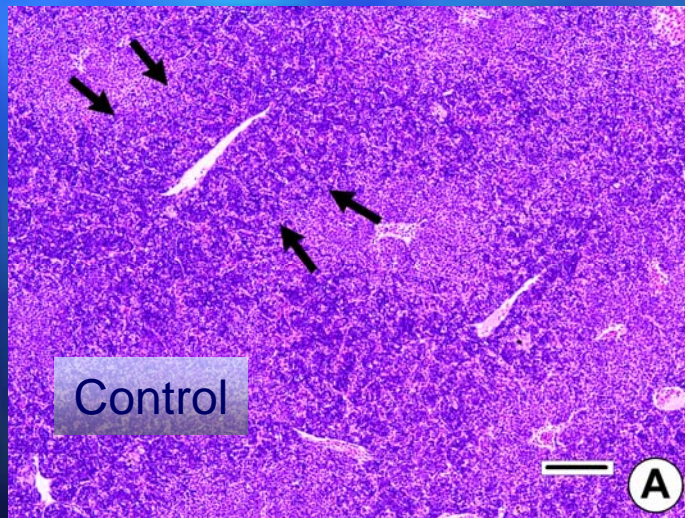
## ■ Methods

- Assess feed consumption, toxicity, gross pathology, and histologic change in walleye, yellow perch, and hybrid striped bass.
- Dosed at 0, 82.5, 248, and 413 mg/kg bodyweight per day for 10 (yellow perch and hybrid striped bass) or 20 consecutive days (walleye).



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- No mortality
- Hybrid striped bass growth was reduced at high dose
- Histopathological findings



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## ■ FDA review

- Report submitted February 19, 2003
- Accepted December 19, 2003
- Completed Target Animal Safety technical section for all freshwater-reared cool- and warmwater finfish.



# Environmental Assessment

- WASP-6 model developed to predict oxytetracycline discharge following medicated feed use at fish hatcheries
  - most OTC binds to sediments or other suspended particles
  - relatively low solubilized OTC concentrations
- Model estimates of solubilized OTC applied to OTC INAD 9332 use data to estimate discharge concentrations.

# Environmental Assessment

- Literature review complete
  - New use pattern – INAD data
  - Fate – published sorption, degradation, decomposition, and sedimentation data
  - Effects – published toxicity studies
  - Risk assessment – comparison of available effects data to estimated discharge concentrations (water solubilized only)
- Peer-reviews received July 2004

# Environmental Assessment

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- Model validation will be initiated in FY05 pending
  - Method development for solubilized and sediment-bound OTC
  - In progress at UMESC and UW-Madison (sediment)